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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES DALLEY/HOLLOWAY VISIT JUNE 26-28 (OR JUNE 24-28 PER REF B), BUT WOULD POINT OUT THAT WE SEE DEFINITE LIMITATIONS ON WHAT THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO DO WHILE HERE.

2. TANGOV HAS A VERY LIMITED NUMBER OF PEOPLE ENGAGED IN MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS. MOST SUITABLE CONTACT WOULD BE ASTERIUS M. HYERA, DIRECTOR OF LEGAL, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES DIVISION IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. ANOTHER GOOD POSSIBILITY IS JUNIOR FOREIGN MINISTER MOHAMED ALI FOUM. BOTH ARE CURRENTLY ATTENDING UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT AS MEMBERS OF TANZANIA'S DELEGATION. DEPARTMENT MIGHT WISH TO CHECK WITH THEM IN NEW YORK ON THEIR AVAILABILITY IN DAR ES SALAAM DURING TIME OF DALLEY/HOLLOWAY VISIT. OTHER PEOPLE IN TANZANIAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMUNITY ARE EITHER TOO SENIOR TO FOLLOW SPECIFIC OF MULTILATERAL ISSUES OR TOO JUNIOR TO AFFECT TANGOV POSITIONS.

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3. EMBASSY HAS NO ISSUES TO ADD TO THOSE LISTED REFTTEL A. EMBASSY BELIEVES UN RESTRUCTURING, UN FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND UN REFORM ARE ISSUES THAT COULD BE USEFULLY RAISED WITH TANGOV FOR EDUCATIVE PURPOSES. TANGOV IS A STRONG SUPPORTER OF ELIMINATING WHAT IT CONSIDERS TO BE WESTERN MONOPOLISTIC CONTROL OF INTERNATIONAL MASS MEDIA, AND THIS ISSUE CAN PROBABLY BE DISCUSSED IN NON-

CONFRONTATIONAL MANNER. INDIAN OCEAN ZONE OF PEACE IS AN ISSUE OF GREAT INTEREST TO TANGOV BUT US MOTIVES ARE HIGHLY SUSPECT.

4. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THERE ARE PROSPECTS FOR VERY USEFUL DISCUSSIONS ON THE OTHER ISSUES, AND SOME SHOULD PROBABLY NOT BE RAISED AT ALL, ESPECIALLY IN CONTEXT OF VISITING SPECIAL ENVOY.

-HUMAN RIGHTS. TANGOV APPEARS TO RESPOND BEST TO INDIRECT PRESSURES FROM GENERAL COMMITMENT BY US AND OTHERS TO HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRESS. DIRECT APPROACHES MIGHT WELL CAUSE UNHELPFUL CONFRONTATION. (DAR ES SALAAM 153, 1936 AND 2243, RESPECTIVELY, DISCUSS TANZANIA HUMAN RIGHTS ACTION PLAN, PROGRESS IN TANZANIAN RESPECT OF POLITICAL RIGHTS, AND US RESPONSE.)

-SOUTHERN AFRICA. PRESIDENT CARTER, SECRETARY VANCE AND AMBASSADOR YOUNG HAVE HAD SEVERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH TOP TANGOV OFFICIALS ON SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES. AMBASSADOR SPAIN HAS CONTINUAL HIGH-LEVEL DIALOGUE ON SUBJECT HERE. WE DO NOT BELIEVE DALLEY/HOLLOWAY WOULD BE LIKELY TO IMPROVE ON THESE CONSULTATIONS.

-MIDDLE EAST/PALESTINE, KOREA, CYPRUS. TANGOV HAS VERY LITTLE INTEREST IN THESE ISSUES AND PREFERS TO KEEP LOW PROFILE BEHIND NON-ALIGNED CONSENSUS.
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-PUERTO RICO. TANGOV IS WELL AWARE OF US VIEWS BUT SEES PUERTO RICO AS A COLONIAL ISSUE. RECOMMEND THIS ISSUE NOT BE RAISED; IT HAS HISTORY OF CONFRONTATION QUALITIES IN OUR RELATIONS.

-GUAM. TANGOV VIEWS ARE ESSENTIALLY SAME AS ON PUERTO RICO. RECOMMEND THIS ISSUE NOT BE RAISED.

-NORTH/SOUTH ECONOMIC ISSUES. THESE HAVE BEEN RAISED WITH TANGOV MANY TIMES. DAR ES SALAAM 1125 CONTAINS RECENT ASSESSMENT OF TANGOV VIEWS. DAR ES SALAAM 1356 REPORTED DETAILED DISCUSSIONS BY IO DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FRANK IN MARCH WITH TANGOV ON UNCTAD COMMON FUND. DO DALLEY AND HOLLOWAY HAVE ANY NEW US IDEAS OR POSITIONS TO PRESENT?

-LAW OF THE SEA MATTERS. AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON HAS BEEN CARRYING ON DIALOGUE OVER PAST YEAR WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL WARIOBA, CHIEF TANZANIAN LOS REPRESENTATIVE. AS WITH SOUTHERN AFRICA, DISCUSSION OF SENSITIVE ISSUE WITH AMERICAN OFFICIALS WITH WHOM TANGOV HAS NOT PREVIOUSLY DEALT IN COURSE OF LENGTHY AND DETAILED NEGOTIATIONS COULD CAUSE CONFUSION AND

WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO PRODUCE USEFUL RESULT.

5. EMBASSY REGRETS THAT LIST OF ISSUES WE CAN ENDORSE FOR DISCUSSION IS SO SHORT. TO RAISE SOME, LIKE PUERTO RICO AND GUAM, WOULD BE LIKE WAVING A RED FLAG IN FRONT OF AN ALREADY ANGRY BULL. MOST OF THE OTHERS IN PARAGRAPH 4 HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY DISCUSSED WITH TANGOV BY SENIOR USG OFFICIALS. TANGOV WOULD WELCOME NEW INSIGHTS ON THESE POSITIONS OR NEW US POSITIONS MORE IN ACCORD WITH ITS OWN. IN ABSENCE OF THESE, PRE-UNGA CONSULTATIONS ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE SATISFACTORY TO EITHER SIDE.

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